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Wellhead Protection Grants Awarded

Senator Garcia pleased with grants given to safeguard public water

LANSING –Sixty-seven communities, two in Senate District 22, were awarded approximately \$860,000 through the Wellhead Protection Grant Program, Sen. Valde Garcia, R-Howell, announced today.

The City of Owosso received \$31,500 and the Livingston Community Water Authority received \$9,750 to help safeguard public water supply systems and to protect public groundwater supplies from contamination. The program is funded through federal funds from the Drinking Water Revolving Loan Fund. The fund is composed of federal grants under the Safe Drinking Water Act and is matched by the state.

“Protecting our drinking water from contamination is of the utmost importance,” said Garcia. “Nearly, fifty percent (50%) of Michigan’s citizens depend on groundwater for their drinking water. With the funding from this type of grant, we can ensure the safety of our water for everyone.”